

*[English]***Production of Rice**

4796. SHRI VIJAY NAVAL PATIL:
SHRI DHARMABHIKASHAM:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have drawn up an action plan to increase rice production in view of declining trend;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the target set under the plan; and

(d) the efforts proposed to be made to achieve the target?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) No Sir, there is no declining trend in rice production.

(b) to (d). Question do not arise.

**Policy on Pricing of petroleum
Products**

4797. DR. ASIM BALA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state;

(a) whether the Government propose to frame a policy on pricing of Petroleum products;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the percentage of rise in prices of petroleum products in last three years; and

(d) the quantity of Petroleum produced during each of last three years and the average cost thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b). Prices of a number of petroleum products are fixed by the Government from time to time keeping in view the supplies, growth in demand and other socio-economic factors.

(c) The percentage rise in the Ex-Storage prices of price administered petroleum products during the three year period 1/4/80 to 31/3/91 varies from a minimum of Nil to a maximum of 76.53%.

(d) The production of Petroleum Products during 1988-89, 1989-90 & 1990-91 was 46.425, 49.459 and 49.489 million tonnes respectively. A statement showing the ex-storage point prices of major price administered petroleum products for the past 3 years is enclosed.

STATEMENT

Ex-storage point of major price Administered Petroleum Formula Products from and after Budget 1990, after 15th October, 1990 and from 25/7/91.

Products.	Selling Unit	Before 20.3.90	<u>Ex-Storage Point</u> 20.3.90	<u>Price from</u> 15.10.90	Rs. Selling Unit
					From 25.7.91
1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.
MS-87	KL	7694.07	8944.07	1180.09	13516.11
MS-93	KL	7749.48	10944.07	13680.09	16416.11
HSDO	KL	3095.55	3633.53	4541.91	4541.91
SKO(Industrial use)	KL	3039.06	3039.06	3798.83	4178.71
SKO(Domestic use)	KL	1956.93	1965.93	2446.16	2201.54
LDO	KL	3053.97	3053.97	3817.46	4199.21
ATF(other Than International Airways)	KL	5239.85	6560.30	8200.38	9840.46
*Naphtha (Fertilizer Use)	MT	1982.31	1982.31	2477.89	2725.68

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<i>1.</i>	<i>2.</i>	<i>3.</i>	<i>4.</i>	<i>5.</i>	<i>6.</i>
* Naphtha(Een.use)	MT	3211.00	3211.00	4013.75	4415.13
*FO (Fertiliser use)	KL	1320.24	1320.24	1650.30	1815.33
FO (Gen. use)	KL	2903.06	2903.06	3628.83	3991.71
*LSHS(Fertiliser Use)	MT	1348.70	1348.70	1685.88	1854.47
* LSHS (Gen. Use)	MT	2768.70	2768.70	3460.88	3806.97
LPG (Packed) Domestic	MT	2448.98	3448.98	3448.98	4138.78
LPG(Packed) Non-Domestic Essential	MT	5001.10	5001.10	6251.38	6876.52
LPG(Packed Non- Domestic Non- Essential	MT	6151.39	6151.39	7689.24	8458.16
LPG (Bulk) Essential	MT	3977.79	3977.79	4972.24	5469.46
LPG (Bulk) Non- Essential	MT	5127.79	5127.79	6409.74	7050.71

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1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.
Bitumen(Bulk)	MT	2574.85	2574.85	3218.56	3540.42
Bitumen(Packed)	MT	3099.91	3099.91	3874.89	4262.38
Match Wax	MT	9000.83	9000.83	11251.04	12376.14
Paraffin Wax.I Quality	MT	8951.24	11601.24	14501.55	15951.71
Paraffin Wax PI Grade	MT	9050.42	11700.42	14625.53	16088.08
Lubricants		25% lincrease over the then existing prices	25% Increase over the then existing prices	10% Increase over the prices existing as on 24.7.91	

* Excise duty extra as per end use.